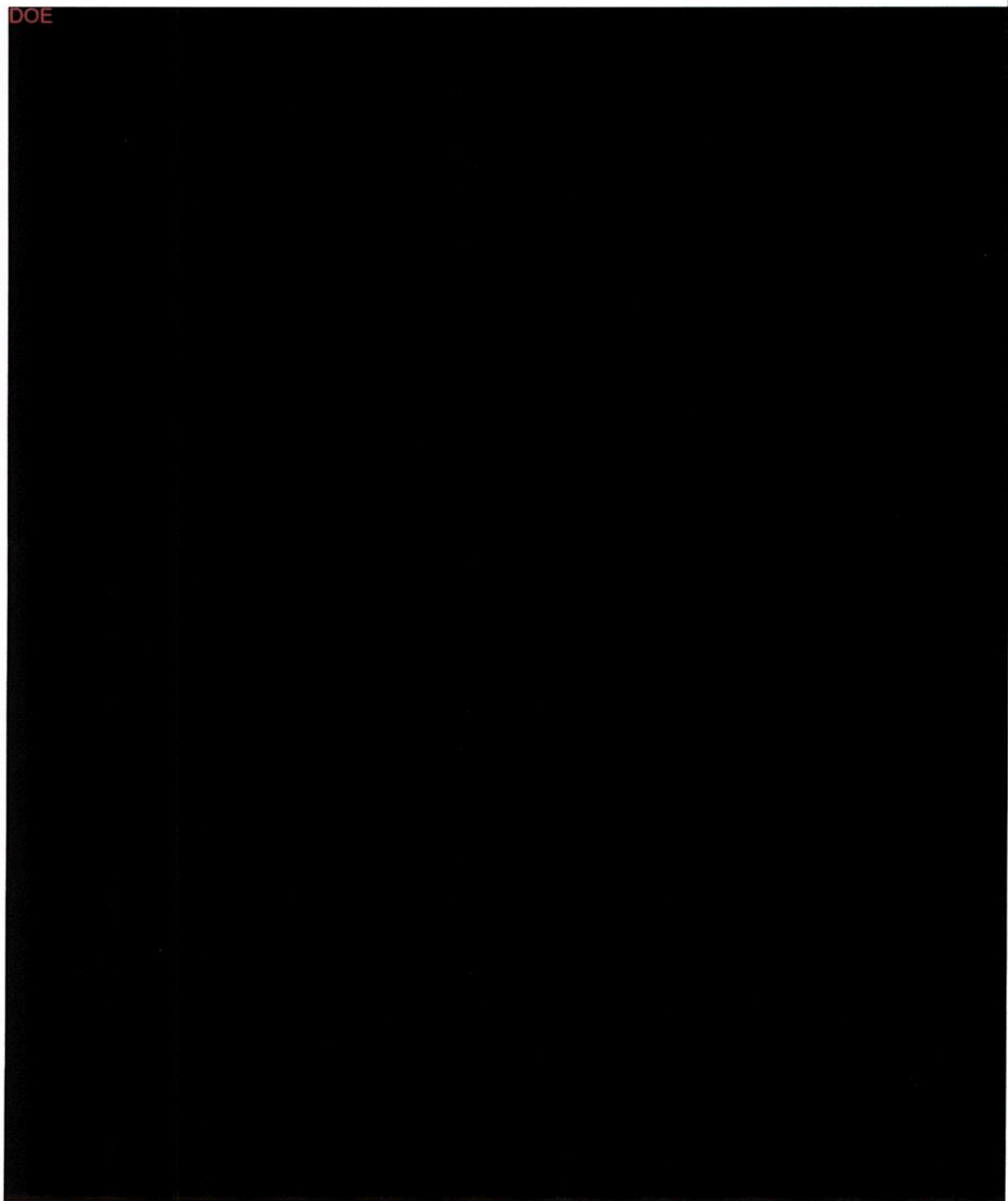


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**Subject:** Follow Up - Small Refinery Exemption Project

Janet - Knowing that you are extremely busy, I will keep this note short. In following up on our March 31 conference call to kick off this project, we wanted to check in with you to see if there were any specific areas with which we can help your office prepare the distribution of data requests, establish data repositories for information, or streamline processes for working with applicants. As promised we are ready to provide the necessary historical background information for your staff to assist them in preparing for this project. We are most interested in understanding the staffing requirements, budgetary constraints and establishing project milestones.

Should you so desire, we are available for a quick telephone call to address any of the above and firm up the scope of work. Thanks and have a great weekend.

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 Cc: 'David Hackett'; White, Thomas; Whitman, Peter; Michael Lester  
 Subject: RE: Follow Up - Small Refinery Exemption Project  
 Date: Monday, April 27, 2015 4:13:23 PM

Thank you Barry -- will look forward to the follow up. -- j. -

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Barry,

DOE has given us the go ahead to communicate directly so here's an update.

Greg will follow up on your broader request when he returns from vacation the week of May 11, but in the mean time I have attached a starter list of the kinds of topics we would like Stillwater to cover in the "training" component of the task. Please understand that this list is informal and still evolving! We may want to add other topics, and we especially hope that Stillwater will offer suggestions for a curriculum that reflects what you as refinery experts believe to be the most important information for us to get a handle on. But at least our initial list may give you enough information to begin planning. Our current thinking is that perhaps one of you could come to Ann Arbor to conduct the training face to face, ideally quite soon. We can certainly discuss other options though. Perhaps we



could set up a call next week to talk further after you've had a chance to think about this a bit.

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To: White, Thomas  
Cc: Henast, Benjamin  
Subject: Can we chat briefly. Just looking to further grease the skids in advance of Interagency on RFS -- Thanks, Paul  
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 11:46:41 AM

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Hi Tom,

I hope all is well with you. I know we chatted not too long ago but I have a couple "asks" I'd like to check in with you on. We would be a good time to chat.?

Thanks, Paul

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Subject: Re: BTW - Happy to brief you guys on the proposal sometime next week as well -- as part of our ongoing coordination.

Hi Tom,  
I saw Carmen last night. I'm going to have to wait to see how things shake out with schedules and have to get back to you on Monday. Have a great weekend.

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